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## Claims:

1-23. (Canceled)

24. (Currently Amended) A method of wrapping and electrically connecting a light string so as to provide electrical power to the light string from an electrical outlet, said light string including an elongated electrical cord presenting a male connection end and an opposed female connection end, with a plurality of lights along the length of the cord and operatively coupled thereto, said method comprising the steps of:

selecting a location for placement of said string of lights ~~selected from the group consisting of a Christmas tree, a door frame, the outside of a house, and a group of trees;~~

wrapping said string of lights at said location and, in so doing, reverse wrapping the light string by beginning said wrapping from the male connector end thereof and moving towards said outlet, such that said female connection end thereof is left in relatively close proximity to said outlet and said opposed male end is relatively remote from said outlet; and

electrically coupling said string of lights while the string remains in said reverse wrapped orientation without the necessity of removing the light string and rewrapping it at said location, including the steps of –

providing an elongated electrical connection assembly having male electrical plugs at both ends thereof; said electrical connection assembly including a first electrical connector having an elongated first electrical cord with first electrical cord male electrical plugs at

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both ends thereof, and an elongated jacket having opposed ends and disposed about said first electrical cord, said jacket and first electrical cord being relatively shiftable;

taking said assembly and moving one of the male electrical plugs thereof to a location adjacent said female connection end;

positioning one end of said jacket about the other of said electrical cord male connection plugs remote from said female connection end;

inserting said one male electrical plug into said adjacent female connector;

taking the other male connection plug of said assembly to a point adjacent said outlet;

repositioning the jacket such that the other end thereof is disposed about the first electrical cord male connection plug proximal to said female connection end; and

inserting said other male connection plug into said outlet,

said electrical coupling steps ~~steps of taking and inserting said male connection ends into said female connector end and said outlet~~ being carried out while said string remains in said reverse wrapped orientation.

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25. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 24, said connection assembly comprising a first extension cord having a male electrical plug at one end thereof and a female electrical receptacle at the other end thereof, and said first electrical connector, one of the first electrical connector male electrical plugs inserted into the female electrical receptacle of said first extension cord, ~~a second extension cord having male electrical plugs at both ends thereof, the method of including the steps of inserting one of the male electrical plugs of said second extension cord into the female receptacle of said first extension cord such that both ends of the connection assembly present male electrical plugs.~~

26. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 24, the male electrical plugs of said connection assembly, each being two-prong plugs.

27. (New) The method of claim 24, said location selected from the group consisting of a Christmas tree, a door frame, the outside of a house, and a group of trees.

28. (New) The method of claim 24, said electrical connection assembly being made up of only said first electrical connector.